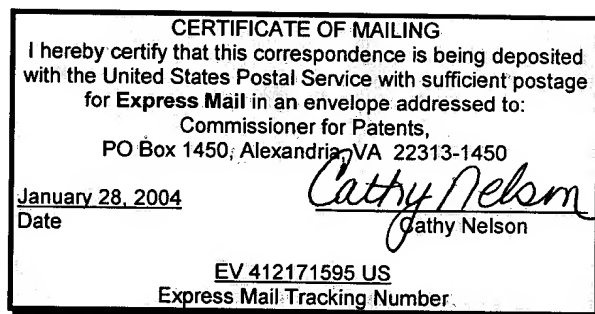




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Applicant : Kinkade et al.
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Sir,

Applicant hereby petitions for the minimum extension of time necessary so that the accompanying Response to Office Action is timely filed.

It is believed that an extension of three months is required. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$475.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) for a small entity. If this amount is incorrect however, please charge any fees, including the fee for any further extensions of time required, to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

Respectfully submitted,

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